

LOCAL AND GENERAL

aid to have gone up in the afternoon as high as \$225 per cent. premium, on account of an unauthenticated rumor that the dividend recommended by the Directors is to be increased.

Li Sang, who describes himself as a coolie, was brought before Mr. Wedehouse in the Police Court to-day charged with being in possession of 11½ tons containing 1140 taels of prepared opium without a valid certificate. The defendant engaged two coolies on the 7th inst. to carry a box containing the opium from the steamer *Kiangshang* (which had just arrived from Macao) to the Yee Tan shop in Saijingsput, and as the precious consignment was on its way thither it was followed by Excise Officer 31 in a state of intense but suppressed excite-

B C., on the 31st July.

native of three months' hard labour, and the opium was declared forfeited.

CAPTAIN Paulus Hansson of the British barque *G. H. Wappaus*, who is charged with having on the 18th April last left the colony without having on board his ship a certificated mate, an with making a false entry in his official log, again appeared before Mr Wodehouse at the

Magistracy to-day, when further evidence was heard. Mr. A. B. Johnson, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr D. E. Caldwell appeared for the defence. James Edwards said he was formerly proprietor of the Mercantile Marine Association Rooms Nos. 2, 4 and 6 High Street.

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Capt. Hanson. He came to witness's house on 14th April and spoke to several men. On the 15th Duff told witness to make up his account as he had engaged with Capt. Hanson to go in the *G. E. Wappaas*. Witness made up the account. Duff did not leave on the 15th. Witness saw Capt. Hanson on the 16th at his

le Isle left Vancouver for Yokohama
Monday morning, the 11th inst.

saw Capt. Hanson on the 16th at his
 house again. He told witness that he did
 not want Duff to go on board until the
 afternoon of the 17th at 4 o'clock. Duff
 was not in then but returned in the evening,
 when witness told him what the defendant
 had said. Witness saw Hanson again next

crack Square on Friday evening a

when witness told him what the defendant had said. Witness saw Hansen again next day about 2 p.m., when he said he did not want Duff on board till 8 a.m. next day. Duff was out, and when he returned in about an hour afterwards witness delivered the message to him. On the morning of the 14th, Duff left the house at 6 a.m. He had his traps all packed up on the previous day ready to go on board, and he took them

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near to the verandah of private dw

18th. Duff's certificate was handed to witness in the Bug Hotel two or three days afterwards by a German whose name witness did not know. The case was further adjourned till to-morrow.

Mr. W. N. Dow, who has been for some time acting-manager in Singapore of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, is confirmed as manager.

THE proposal of Government to establish a Naval and Military Council within the Cabinet, under the Presidency of the Prime Minister, meets with general approval; but

ective Sergeant McIver to-day,
at six dozen bottles of alleged

A NOVEL exhibition is promised in Kyoto, compared with which the self-told narration by the Bank of England forger of his experiences, and other like entertainments, will sink into the shade. We learn that Takajima, Nakagoro, a liberated gaid-bird who has served his sentence for breaking into the godown robbery with threats of violence, breaking into private houses, &c., has repented of his past doings and having abstained from notoriety, has

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If we are to believe what the *Temps* says, the French Expedition to Indo-China is doing wonders. It left Hanoi at the beginning of April for the purpose of securing a new opening for French commerce in the direction of Laos. We read that a sufficiently good route has been discovered, and that the Mission has concluded satisfactory arrangements with the heads of the various villages on the way. It will not, however, be an easy matter to divert the trade of Indo-China from Pshaw to Tong-King; which, of course, is the object French traders have in view.—*London & China Express.*

...filling that all the time and labour

The Mediterranean Squadron took place on June 13 between Jaffa and Beyrout. The following ships took part:—*Victoria*, *Benbow*, *Phaeton*, *Dreadnought*, and *Colossus*, whilst the *Infatigable*, *Ténéraire*, *Edinburgh*, and *Agamemnon* acted as umpires, and did not compete. The *Ausonia* took the first place very easily, and in the course of five hours' run gained nearly four miles on the *Benbow*, which was second. The *Victoria* was third, followed by the *Dreadnought*, whilst the *Phaeton* and *Colossus* brought up the rear. The *Ausonia* averaged a speed of 41.6 knots, the *Benbow* 35.8, the *Victoria* 35.3, the *Dreadnought* 34.7, the

I was to open the country to foreign
trade as soon as the treaty should

LORD WOLSELEY ON ENGLAND AND AMERICA.
—Lord Wolseley, in a private letter received at Baltimore, writes:—"Closer bonds of union between mother and child, between England and the United States, would be better for both in the race of civilisation. Those who rant about 'castes' and 'future' are no friends of either nation or of humanity. There must never be war, no matter whether either or both are engaged on by enemies of the English-speaking races. We feel as proud of the United States as its people can be, and its honour and reputation are as dear to us as to those across the Atlantic." I rejoice to think that the mutual respect which has always existed between the two nations is now maturing into sincere mutual affection.

EXPORT CARGOES.

Per S. S. *Reperio*, sailed 4th August:—
100 boxes Hugging for Havre, 17 boxes
Lana, 82 boxes Haring, 10 boxes
Blackwoodware, 5 cases Silks and 6 bales
Lamp for Havre, option; Hamburg, 15
boxes Java, 10 boxes Paper and 2 cases
Silk; for Havre option London, 75 boxes
Essential oils; for Hamburg, 400 bales
Cotton, 120 boxes Haring, 100 boxes
Silk, Sundries, 20 boxes Essential oils,
10 boxes China-ware, 16 boxes Option,
13 boxes Blackwoodware, 13 boxes Palm-leaf
and 6 boxes Paper and 6 cases Silks; for
Lamburg option L-ndon, 311 pieces, Cases;
for London, 101 boxes Essential Oils; From
London, 100 boxes Paper, 100 boxes
Lamp for Havre, 220 pieces Tea; for
Lamburg, 100 boxes Paper, 100 boxes

